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From the desk of Brandon Seitz

Indiana's energy successes continue to grow each month. In September, OED was awarded slightly over \$1.3 million from the U.S. Department of Energy to place biofuel pumps along the Interstate 65 corridor. From Gary, Indiana to Mobile, Alabama, drivers will have access to E85 and B20. This project demonstrates that biofuels are ready for the national stage. To find out more please read the News Release and visit our I-65 page for updates on this project.

Lt. Governor Skillman opened the new BioIsland in BioTown, making this the forty-first E85 pump for Indiana. Reynolds residents now have access to E85 and B20. Continual progress is made in BioTown and remains the pilot area for Indiana and this nation to follow. (News Release)

October is national efficiency month and OED, in conjunction with federal, state and other partners, will host a one day energy event in BioTown, USA on October 4 from 3:30 – 7:00pm. The event will be held at the White County Fairgrounds. U.S. Assistant Secretary, Alexander Karsner and State Senator Hershman will be in attendance for this great event. The workshop will include groups from across the country to present on all energy efficiency and weatherization topics.

Other October events include National Odyssey Day on the 12th. OED will work with the South Shore Clean Cities on an event that will educate about alternative fuels. The event will take place in Merriville from 10:00am to 8:00pm. (Event Calendar)

Day-by-day progress is being made as the initiatives and vision for Indiana continues to develop and become a reality. With great enthusiasm, we continue to work and move forward on all fronts to provide Hoosiers with safe, reliable and feasible energy.

Sincerely,

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